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1. ON FEBRUARY 13, I GAVE VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND MARITIME ECONOMY EDWIN WISNIEWSKI A NON-PAPER CONTAINING THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INFORMATION TRANSMITTED IN THE REFS AND A COPY OF THE NMFS PRESS RELEASE ON THE SEIZURE OF THE LEPUS. THE VICE MINISTER NOTED THAT POLISH OFFICIALS ARE NOW DISCUSSING WHETHER POLISH FISHING VESSELS SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO REMAIN ONE, TWO, OR THREE MILES OUTSIDE THE TWELVE-MILE LIMIT. THIS DECISION WILL HAVE BOTH INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC ASPECTS, HE SAID, AND ONCE IT IS MADE, HE WILL BE GLAD TO INFORM ME OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE DECISION.

2. THE NON-PAPER MENTIONS THAT THE POLISH FISHING VESSEL KOLEN WAS WARNED IN DECEMBER, 1974, FRO INFRINGING ON THE TWELVE-MILE LIMIT. THE VICE MINISTER TOLD ME THAT THE MASTER OF THE KOLEN COMPLAINED TO POLISH AUTHORITIES THAT HIS VESSEL HAD BEEN DETAINED FOR ELEVEN HOURS FOR THIS WARNING AND YET THE COAST GUARD INVESTIGATION OF THE SHIP HAD FOUND NO SIGNS OF ILLEGAL FISHING ACTIVITY.

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3. THE VICE MINISTER SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN IN THE US

FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF THE PACIFIC FISHING AGREEMENT
IN DECEMBER AND THAT THE DISCUSSIONS AT THAT TIME HAD
BEEN CORDIAL. HE HOPED THAT HE AND I COULD MEET REGULARLY
TO DISCUSS ANY PROBLEMS THAT ARISE BETWEEN US. I GLADLY
AGREED.
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